

FIFTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,

Tuesday, January 18, 1927.

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Barry Miller.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Bailey.	Neal.
Berkeley.	Parr.
Bledsoe.	Pollard.
Bowers.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Russek.
Greer.	Smith.
Hall.	Triplett.
Hardin.	Ward.
Holbrook.	Westbrook.
Love.	Wirtz.
McFarlane.	Witt.
Miller.	Wood.
Moore.	Woodward.

Absent.

Lewis.	Stuart.
Price.	

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator Bailey.

Petitions and Memorials.

(See Appendix.)

Committee Reports.

(See Appendix.)

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 5.

Senator Witt sent up the following resolution:

By Witt, Price:

Whereas, The tax laws of Texas are a mass of indiscriminate enactments passed at various times and based on the then existing conditions and by reason of the exigencies at the time, and same constitute a mass of patch work and were not the result of a discriminating study of the conditions or industries of Texas or of the comparative revenue returns of the same, and do not take into consideration the changes and development of subsequent years; and,

Whereas, There is a very general feeling that, as applied to present

conditions, there exists many discriminations in the tax burdens as borne by the citizens and industries of the State, and a very general demand for the equalization of taxes in order that a reality be made of that provision in our Constitution that "Taxes shall be equal and uniform;" and,

Whereas, owing to the great importance and magnitude of this subject it is impractical and impossible, at a session of the Legislature, by reason of the shortness of same and the necessity of considering so many other matters of legislation, and the lack of accurate information upon which to base a fair and impartial recommendation, to work out comprehensive and fair legislation, to the end that tax burdens be equalized;

Therefore be it Resolved by the Senate of Texas, the House concurring, That a committee of thirteen persons, to be known as The Tax Survey Committee, be created, and the duties thereof be provided as follows, to-wit:

The President of the Senate shall appoint as members of this committee three (3) members of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint as members of this committee four (4) members of the House; and the Governor of Texas, as members of this committee, shall appoint six public spirited and capable persons who are private citizens of Texas, at least one of the persons to be appointed by the Governor to be a man who has made a special study of government and taxation and be well versed in the principles of taxation; and the remaining members to be appointed by the Governor to be selected from different vocations and from different sections of the State.

The said Tax Survey Committee shall meet within ten days from the time its membership is completed, at a time and place to be designated by the Governor, and shall organize, by electing one of its members Chairman and another Secretary, and such other officers as it may deem necessary.

The Committee shall adopt such rules and regulations as necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution.

Said Committee shall be provided with a committee room in the Capi-

tol in Austin and its sessions shall be open to the public, except at such times as the Committee may, by a majority vote, determine to hold executive session.

Said Committee shall begin its work following the adjournment of the Regular Session of the Fortieth Legislature unless a special session of said Legislature shall be called within ten days after the adjournment of said regular session, in which event it shall begin its investigation following the adjournment of said special session. Said Committee shall continue its sessions and investigations as may be determined by a majority vote of said Committee, and until its work has been completed; however, it shall conclude its investigations and make its report to the Regular Session of the Forty-first Legislature or to some special session of the Fortieth Legislature called by the Governor for the purpose of receiving and considering report of said Committee.

The Committee herein provided shall have free access to all books and records in the several departments of the State government and of any other political subdivision of the State.

Said Committee shall have power to subpoena witnesses to appear before it at any time or place it shall decide and furnish to it such information as such witnesses have, and to issue subpoena for records, books, papers and other documents, and to swear said witnesses; to reduce testimony to writing or typewriting; and to pay said witnesses the fees paid them in criminal cases in the District Court.

Said Committee shall also have the power to require from all persons, firms and corporations in this State, such information as it may desire with reference to the properties and tax burdens being borne by same.

Said Committee shall have the power to issue such process as necessary to compel the attendance of witnesses or production of books, records or other information as may be desired by it in the proper discharge of its duties.

The Committee shall make a careful study of the subject of revenue and taxation with special reference to the problems presented in Texas and the comparative burdens borne,

and shall investigate and study the systems of raising revenue and administering same in other states. Said Committee shall secure information as to Texas and as to such other states desired by it as to the taxable values of said states, the aggregate income of individuals and corporations within each of the same, the systems of taxation in same, the method of financing the educational and eleemosynary institutions and departments of government, and other information relative to the wealth and resources of each of said states and the methods employed for securing revenue for the maintenance of such institutions and the pro-rata and comparative cost of educational and eleemosynary institutions, and other departments of government.

Said Committee shall secure information as to Texas and as to such other states as it may find desirable with reference to the amount of taxes now being paid by the various classes of property and industries of such states so as to be able to determine the comparative tax burden being borne in Texas and in other states by the various classes of property and industries therein.

Said Committee shall have power and authority to employ and compensate all necessary experts, investigators, stenographers and other clerical help and it shall be the duty of said Committee to make and keep a record of its investigations and of all funds expended by it and to whom paid and the amounts thereof. It shall not be the duty however of said Committee to keep a stenographic report of all information or investigations made by it, but it shall have the authority to keep such record as it may deem advisable.

The report of said Committee, as herein provided, shall make such recommendations, as to legislation, as may, in its judgment, be necessary to secure sufficient funds for a proper and economical administration of the departments of government, educational and eleemosynary institutions, and as will, as nearly as possible, fairly and equitably and impartially distribute such burdens against its citizens and their property and make a reality of the constitutional provision that "taxes shall be equal and uniform."

Members of said Committee shall each

receive as compensation the sum of \$10.00 per day for each day they actually serve, together with railroad fare, hotel, telegraph, telephone, postage and express expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties, and it shall be authorized and empowered to purchase such stationery and other supplies as may be necessary for the discharge of their duties.

There is hereby appropriated from the Contingent Fund of the Fortieth Legislature, the sum of \$25,000.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary for the purpose of defraying the compensation and expenses of the Committee hereby created, including the publication of 2,000 copies of the committee report, and the distribution of same to the citizens of Texas.

Provided further that all expenditures of such Committee shall be made upon the sworn account of the persons entitled to such pay, when approved by the Chairman and Secretary of said Committee. The Secretary shall file with the State Comptroller of Public Accounts a statement showing in detail the expenditures made by such Committee and the amounts and to whom all payments were made.

The resolution was read and ordered printed in the Journal.

Bills and Resolutions.

By Senator Bailey:

S. B. No. 106, A bill to be entitled "An Act providing that the statement of facts concerning any family his-

tory and showing who were the legal heirs of any deceased person when contained in either an affidavit or any instrument, when any such affidavit or instrument has been of record in the deeds record of any county in the State of Texas for five years or more shall be received in any suit as prima facie evidence of the facts therein stated, but if there be any error in the statement of facts in such recorded affidavit or instrument, the true facts may be proven by anyone interested in the proceeding in which said affidavit or instrument is offered in evidence."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Bailey:

S. B. No. 107, A bill to be entitled "An Act granting authority for construction and maintenance of salt water hatcheries and propagation farms for fish, oysters and game, or either of same, and for the establishing and maintenance of public hunting grounds, on State owned islands in coastal waters of the Gulf of Mexico touching this State; providing for the cost and expense of same, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee of State Affairs.

By Senator Floyd:

S. B. No. 108, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 673 and 674, Chapter 7, Title 11 of the Penal Code of Texas, 1925, all of said articles relating to intoxicating liquors and to distilled, malt, spiritous, vinous, fermented or alcoholic liquids, compounds and preparations, patent and proprietary medicines or preparations or solutions; providing for better control prohibition and regulations of traffic in intoxicating liquors; prescribing necessary penalties and defining necessary offenses, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Moore, by request:

S. B. No. 109, A bill to be entitled "An Act defining motor bus transportation companies; declaring them to be common carriers when used in transporting passengers for hire over the public roads of the State of Texas, as a public road as defined in this Act, etc."

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Senator Berkeley, by request:

S. B. No. 110, A bill to be entitled "An Act to increase and fix the salary of the superintendent of public instruction of El Paso County, Texas; providing for office expenses; repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

By Senator Berkeley, by request:

S. B. No. 111, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2249 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, adopted at the Regular Session of the Thirty-ninth Legislature so as to re-

peal that portion of said Article, allowing an appeal to the Court of Civil Appeals from every order of any district or county court in civil cases, granting motions for new trials, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Civil Jurisprudence.

By Senator Berkeley, by request:

S. B. No. 112, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it unlawful for any guest of a hotel or boarding house to remove or cause to be removed any baggage without the written consent of the hotel or boarding housekeeper, or without paying his bill due such hotel or boarding housekeeper when there exists on such or other property a lien as provided by Title 73, Article 4594, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, and providing that such act is swindling, and providing a punishment therefor, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Senator Moore:

S. J. R. No. 9, A joint resolution "Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas increasing the compensation of the Secretary of State, Attorney General, Comptroller of Public Accounts, the Treasurer and the Commissioner of the General Land Office."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Senator Moore:

S. J. R. No. 10, A joint resolution "Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas relating to mileage and per diem of members of the Legislature."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Senator Moore:

S. J. R. No. 11, A joint resolution "Amending sections of the Constitution of the State of Texas, as follows: Section 1 of Article 8, relating to uniform taxation; poll, occupation, and income tax; and exempting income of natural persons from taxation."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Senator Moore:

S. J. R. No. 12, A joint resolution "Proposing an amendment to the

Constitution of the State of Texas increasing the compensation of the Governor."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Senator Moore:

S. J. R. No. 13, A joint resolution "Amending a section of the Constitution of the State of Texas as follows: Section 3 of Article 7 relating to taxation for free public school purposes and the distribution thereof, and providing free textbooks for certain scholastics."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Simple Resolution No. 19.

Senator Neal sent up the following simple resolution:

By Senator Neal:

Whereas, this is the anniversary of the passing of the Eighteenth Amendment, and

Whereas, the people of this State and Nation have been the beneficiaries of untold blessings by reason of this amendment, and

Whereas, the crying need in both State and Nation and the heaviest burden on the heart of the people is the enforcement of the Constitution, both Federal and State, and the laws passed in pursuance thereof, prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors, underlies and supports all law enforcement; and

Whereas, the enforcement of prohibition in the Capital City of the State, while her lawmaking body is in session, performing the sacred business of making laws for the people, is indispensable to respect for law and order among the people generally, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate of Texas do here and now rededicate itself to the cause of prohibition of the liquor traffic; be it further

Resolved, That it urge the authorities of the Federal Government, and of the State Government as well, to leave nothing undone, looking to the rigid enforcement of the prohibition laws in the city, at least while the legislature shall be in session, to the end if possible, that the Fortieth Legislature shall have the glorious record of having a bone-dry session of that honorable body, and we pledge

all aid in our power in bringing about this result. Be it also

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Senate be directed to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States and to the Governor of this State.

The resolution was read and adopted.

Simple Resolution No. 20.

Senator Fairchild sent up the following resolution:

By Senator Fairchild:

Whereas, Senator Parr has for a number of years served on the Committee of Criminal Jurisprudence,

Therefore be it Resolved, That his name be added to this Committee.

The resolution was read and adopted.

Report of Committee on Inauguration.

Senator Westbrook sent up the following report:

Austin, Texas, Jan. 17, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate, and

Hon. R. L. Bobbitt, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sirs: Your committee appointed to arrange for the Inauguration of the Governor and the Lieutenant Governor beg leave to recommend that the House and Senate meet in joint session in the Hall of the House of Representatives on Tuesday, the eighteenth day of January, A. D., 1927, at 11:30 o'clock a. m., and after organization the joint session will proceed in a body to the South entrance of the Capitol Building where all arrangements have been made and the oath of office will be administered to the Governor-elect and the Lieutenant Governor-elect, with Honorable C. M. Cureton, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Texas, administering the oath of office.

WESTBROOK,
WOODS,
PRICE,
WIRTZ,
LEWIS,

On the part of the Senate.

PETSCH,
PARRISH,
STREET,
SHAVER,
SATTERWHITE,

On the part of the House.

The report was read and adopted.

Simple Resolution No. 21.

Senator Westbrook sent up the following resolution:

By Westbrook:

Be it Resolved, That the Senator from Kerr be added to the Committee on Labor.

The resolution was read and adopted.

Senator Wood in the Chair.

Lieutenant Governor Barry Miller announced that his first term as Lieutenant Governor had practically ended, and he surrendered the chair to President Pro Tem. Wood.

Message from the House.

The Chair recognized the Doorkeeper, who introduced a messenger from the House with the following message:

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas, January 17, 1927.

Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

H. C. R. No. 1.—Requesting the repeal of the Federal Inheritance Tax.

H. C. R. No. 3.—Providing for the Legislative Manual.

S. C. R. No. 4.—Providing for counting the vote of Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

H. C. R. No. 5.—Providing for traffic regulation during the inauguration of the Governor.

Respectfully submitted.

C. L. PHINNEY,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 5.

The Chair laid before the Senate the following resolution:

H. C. R. No. 5, providing for traffic regulation during the inauguration of the Governor.

The resolution was read and adopted.

Senate at Ease for Inauguration.

At 11:30 a. m., the Chair announced that the Senate would stand at ease subject to the call of the Chair in order to meet with the House in Joint Session to witness the

Inauguration of the Governor and Lieutenant Governor.

Joint Session for Inauguration.

The Senate and the House met in Joint Session to witness the Inauguration of the newly elected Governor and Lieutenant Governor. The session was held on the South terrace of the Capitol.

The following Senators answered the roll:

Bailey.	Parr.
Berkeley.	Pollard.
Bledsoe.	Price.
Bowers.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Russek.
Greer.	Smith.
Hall.	Stuart.
Hardin.	Triplett.
Holbrook.	Ward.
Lewis.	Westbrook.
Love.	Wirtz.
McFarlane.	Witt.
Miller.	Wood.
Moore.	Woodward.
Neal.	

Governor and Lieutenant Governor Administered the Oath of Office.

Justice Cureton, Chief Justice of Texas, administered the oath of office to Hon. Dan Moody, as Governor of Texas, and to Hon. Barry Miller as Lieutenant Governor of Texas.

After the Joint Session.

The Senate was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Barry Miller at 2:00 p. m.

Adjournment.

On motion of Senator Bailey, the Senate at 2:01 p. m. adjourned until Thursday morning at 10:00 o'clock a. m.

APPENDIX.

Petitions and Memorials.

W. A. COCKRELL
Cotton

Pecan Gap, Texas, Dec. 22, 1926.
To the Hon. Chas. R. Floyd, State Senator.

Dear Sir:—We, the undersigned farmers and business men living within your senatorial district, and believing, with you, that the right

thing to do at the coming session of the State Senate is to enact a law by which the cotton acreage should be regulated by law and should be very materially reduced, take this means to earnestly solicit your best endeavor to work for this end.

Very respectfully submitted.

H. Bratton, Wm. Humphreys, Mike Humphreys, M. C. Wheeler, T. C. Billingsley, B. F. Johnson, A. C. Camp, A. W. Johnson, O. R. Byars, I. B. Logan, W. M. Merrill, W. E. Merrill, W. A. Cockrell, W. A. Samy, T. W. Sandlin, J. A. Miller, W. A. Moody, M. A. Phillips, F. M. Morehead, Wm. Hensley, L. D. McDonnold, A. L. Reynolds, J. E. Phillips, W. M. Gauldon, Bill Quisenberry, W. M. Phillips, W. B. Lyon, G. H. McWhirter, E. E. McWhirter, T. T. Merrill, Clay Camp, W. R. Kerbow, F. E. Scoggins, J. V. Muncy, A. L. Quate, M. A. Walls, W. G. Morgan, R. S. Hindman, W. B. Wheeler, J. C. Moore, W. A. Bartlett, Jack Scoggins, C. T. Robnett, W. H. Alby, John H. Leeman, D. D. Dunn, Ray Tadlock, W. W. Sandli, J. W. Diggs, F. H. Brooks, O. L. Scott, L. H. West, Jno. S. Reid, G. F. Haddock, W. E. Bryant, G. L. Morgan, J. F. Lofton, G. S. Craddock, J. E. M. Ferris, J. M. Higgins, E. H. Higgins, J. D. Muncy, R. N. Smily, E. L. Coney, A. L. S. Reen, M. B. Whitt, J. C. Cother, J. L. Dobyns, J. A. Gray, J. G. Smiley, J. L. Richardson, T. J. Canon, E. P. Grady, L. D. Williams, G. L. Walters, J. E. Smiley, E. W. Roderick, H. A. Langston, L. A. Haddock, O. J. Sham, J. F. Manes, J. W. James, Geo. Quisenberry.

Committee Report.

(Majority Report.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 17, 1927.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a majority of your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 87, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2496 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

BAILEY, Chairman.

(Minority Report.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 17, 1927.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the
Senate.

Sir: I, a minority of your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 87, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2496 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, and declaring an emergency."

Beget to differ with a majority of your Committee, and report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WARD.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 18, 1927.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the
Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 79, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 5954 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, defining the authority and territorial jurisdiction of notaries public, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

BAILEY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 17, 1927.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the
Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 88, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2274 of Chapter 12, Title 42, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

BAILEY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 17, 1927.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the
Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 89, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2162 of Chapter 8, Title 42, of the Revised

Civil Statutes of 1925, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

BAILEY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 18, 1927.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the
Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 90, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 9, Title 1, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

BAILEY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 17, 1927.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the
Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 93, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 4930 of Chapter 11, Title 78, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

BAILEY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 17, 1927.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the
Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 94, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 8306, Part 1, Title 130 of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, by adding thereto a section to be known as Section 11a, defining total and permanent injuries and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

BAILEY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 17, 1927.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the
Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Civil Jurisprudence, to whom was referred S. B. No. 92, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3996 of Title 65, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

BAILEY, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 17, 1927.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the
Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Highways and Motor Traffic, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 101, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Webb County, Texas, providing that the general road laws of the State of Texas shall be applicable to said county, except as herein provided; providing that nothing in this Act shall affect in anywise road bonds heretofore issued by said county; validating an election for the issuance of special road bonds of said county, validating all orders of the commissioners' court in respect to said election, validating the levy of taxes in payment thereof and constituting such orders legal evidence; enacting provisions necessary and incidental to the subject and purpose of this Act, and declaring an emergency."

Have the had same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendaion that it do pass, and be not printed.

FLOYD, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 17, 1927.
Hon. Barry Miller, President of the
Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Mining, Irrigation and Drainage, to whom was referred

S. B. No. 3, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 8029 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1925, relating to the dissolution of levee improvement districts, by leaving said Article 8029 just as it is, but

adding sections thereto, providing for dissolution of levee improvement districts which have failed in their purposes, and levee improvement districts which have failed to function; providing a procedure by which levee improvement districts may voluntarily abolish their corporate existence, providing for the settlement of debts, retirement of bonds, custody of property, and appointment of a trustee to close up the affairs of such districts, and providing ways and means for holding election to decide whether or not such districts will be dissolved; and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

BLEDSON, Chairman.

SIXTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,

Thursday, January 20, 1927.

The Senate met at 10:00 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Lieutenant Governor Barry Miller.

The roll was called, a quorum being present, the following Senators answering to their names:

Berkeley.	Parr.
Bledsoe.	Price.
Bowers.	Real.
Fairchild.	Reid.
Floyd.	Russek.
Greer.	Smith.
Hall.	Stuart.
Hardin.	Triplett.
Holbrook.	Ward.
Lewis.	Westbrook.
Love.	Wirtz.
McFarlane.	Witt.
Miller.	Wood.
Moore.	Woodward.
Neal.	

Absent.

Pollard.

Absent—Excused.

Bailey.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, the same was dispensed with on motion of Senator Woodward.